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Inventor: Blandina et al. Docket No.: 10655.7117  
Serial No.: 09/241,188 Filing Date: February 1, 1999  
Group Art No.: 2761 Examiner: To Be Assigned  
Title: STORED VALUE TRANSACTION SYSTEM  
HAVING AN INTEGRATED DATABASE  
SERVER

**PETITION TO ACCEPT OATH/DECLARATION ON BEHALF OF INVENTOR WHO  
REFUSES TO SIGN FILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. § 1.47**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Commissioner:

Petitioner hereby petitions the Commissioner to accept the declaration of inventor Michael Blandina on behalf of inventors Mari Belczynski and Robert Berry in the above-referenced patent application. A Declaration signed by Mr. Michael Blandina, the primary architect of the invention, accompanies this petition. Ms. Belczynski and Mr. Berry have demonstrated through their conduct that they refuse to sign the Declaration due to, *inter alia*, their employment dispute with American Express, as set forth in the attached sworn statement of Howard I. Sobelman, American Express outside patent counsel, and in the accompanying correspondence. Ms. Belczynski and Mr. Berry may be contacted through their attorney, Mr. Bradley P. Pollock, Bell & Pollock, 26 W. Dry Creek Circle, Littleton, CO 80120.

This Petition is accompanied by Snell & Wilmer's check no. 23058 in payment of the \$130 Response to Missing Parts Fee, the \$110 one-month extension fee, and the petition fee of \$130 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i). In the event of any deficiency or overpayment in the



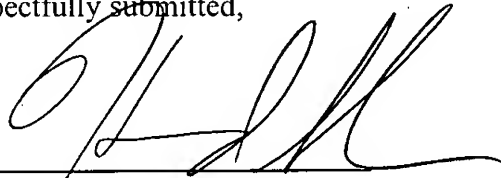
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enclosed fees, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such deficiency or credit any such overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2814, **for which purpose a duplicate copy of this Petition is also enclosed.**

Should the Petitions Examiner wish to discuss any of the foregoing in greater detail, or deem that a telephone call would further advance this Petition, the undersigned would welcome a telephone call at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: May 17, 1999

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